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HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

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University of Idaho
College of Education

Community Advisory Committee

1/21/15

9:00 am – 11:00 am (PST)

Go-To Meeting

MINUTES

Attendees: *Julie Fodor, Jim Baugh, Rachel Raiden, Christine Pisani, Richelle Tierney, Lorie Higgins, Eileen Waddell, Amanda Grafe, Amy Ireland, Nick Stallings, Shiloh Blackburn, and Matt Wappett*

Absent: *Eric Yeary, Noll Garcia, and Darrell Quist*

Welcome and Introductions by Julie Fodor

Start 9:05 am

Highlight: No chair for advisory committee need one as per bylaws discuss at face to face meeting. Richelle will be leading the CAC meetings and working on policy in the state, legislative experience. Student in future will take notes, the students will rotate to them experience in disabilities. Julie and Richelle to travel to Washington DC in April for Disability Policy Seminar- hope to have her attend in the future. The Center can take one advisory person this year to Disability Policy Seminar- contact Julie if interested.

Richelle's gave a brief introduction and work history:

She got involved in the disability community when her son was diagnosed at 3 years. She was the past president of the Autism Society chapter in the Treasure Valley. She and her husband started a fun run to raise community awareness of autism. Her son is now 17 and they are working on his transition into adult services. She worked for Community Partnerships, a developmental disabilities agency, for over 8 years and coordinated their annual training conference.

She is also the coordinator for the Self-Advocate Leadership Network (SALN). Her role in CAC will be the coordinator along with work focused on CWG - working on HCBS rule changes.

Review agenda and Approve minutes

Minutes – motion by Christine to approve the minutes

Seconded by Lorie Higgins

Minutes approved by voice vote

Amy Ireland attended October Meeting noting change to minutes

- Motion accepted the agenda –
- Seconded by

Review changes to 5 year plan

1. Goal 2 correction from 210,000 to 50,000
2. Obj. 4.1 grammatical change to provide
3. Obj. 5.1 new redundancy in wording modified to be simpler new-
4. Obj. 5.2 remove/delete which is a duplication
5. Goal 6 number and wording change to from at least 700,000 to Up to 600,000

Actions: Final vote approved no nay or abstention votes - motion passed

- Move to accept Eilleen
- 2nd Shiloh Blackburn

Discussion on Organizational Structure

By laws:

1. 3.1 committee make up - same
2. Terms – remain same
3. Consecutive terms ok
4. Officers- in the past we have had co –chairs and its important. We have had individuals a disability or parents of person with a disability. CDHD in past driven change to member chairing, meetings also might be blending with DD council. What are the benefits of a chairperson? With the chair as a person with disability and or parent presiding will help shape direction. How would this look? Strong community input. How does this incorporate this person with CDHD?
5. Coordinator – more active role, possibly a dual role - chair and coordinator?
6. Meeting schedule – more is better at least 3 /year. Maybe face to face with DD Council in January, in Boise? This could also be an opportunity to meet with legislators?

Discussion: brief – full meeting in the spring

Lorie- roster not up to date- Richelle will update and send out with the minutes

Meeting schedule – maybe reword spring meeting. Change wording - committee members input on agenda, parent and or person w/ disability as a liaison. No reason for chairs to run meeting. Members should have roles in meeting.

Christine – co – chair for parent or person w/ disability will help create leadership skills. Coordinator can spend additional time with them and discuss agenda items.

Julie – also look at how CAC supports CDHD

Combine meetings with DD Council: this is an ongoing discussion with Christine and Jim and would be better during a face to face meeting.

HCBS Rule changes/ Idaho transition plan- Jim and Christine

Historically disability and consumer groups lobbying fed agency to change rules – biased people placed in institution – then having people living in the community. In 1990 Home and community based service were an alternative to institution placements. In some cases the services started to look like institution - carried out residential assisted living facilities. AD waiver – services in res assisted living facility used to create group homes. s/b in their home instead of patient, resident or inmate of facility. New rules from Medicaid CMS rules are final and in existence. HCMS new rule s/ give them freedoms. Idaho DHW is working on their second draft of the transition plan.

If residence owned by someone else. Community certified family home those settings have new rules for control for people living in those facilities. Come and go as they please, locked bedroom door, etc. their own control. Additional conditions for provider owned or controlled settings. Fed rules Idaho has to decide how to comply. Called gap analysis. Integration in personal control. Concerned with certified family home. Supported living – HCBS services in apt or home the own or rent - usually one or more roommates with the same provider.

Christine – collecting survey data on this process HCBS.

The Idaho state transition plan is currently being worked on to bring Idaho into compliance with HCBS setting requirements from the Federal rules.

Eilleen – adult daughter with a disability is trying to live independently. Medicaid eligible does not always meet those requirements.

Jim – these rules were more implemented for people with physical disabilities. There are risky behaviors to themselves or other people they need to make their own decisions.... We need to deal with that. Idaho has to deal with and grapple with risk, tolerance. Use person centered planning process which has been beefed up. The following websites have more information on the rules and what Idaho Dept. of Health & Welfare is .

<http://healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/Default.aspx?TabId=2710>

<http://www.medicaid.gov/Medicaid-CHIP-Program-Information/By-Topics/Long-Term-Services-and-Supports/Home-and-Community-Based-Services/Home-and-Community-Based-Services.html>

Federal rules already in effect - state have until 3/16 to have their transition plans in place, implemented by 7/1/16 and 3/19 implemented final as per feds.

Collaborative Work Group (CWG) on adult developmental disability services:

Christine gave an update on the group and what has been worked on.

The group has been meeting since November 2011. Christine will be giving a presentation to the legislature and discussed executive summary. The steering committee meets monthly. Parents and persons with disabilities are not receiving information on the changes. DD council can help to send information out.

Julie, Richelle and Christine - survey about 15 questions for focus group around the state... have they heard, etc. working with state department on questions to possibly do focus groups again next year to see changes in survey and hope for improvement. The second piece will be to reach non-verbal individuals with varying cognitive levels. Work with Robin Greenfield and modify questions.. ie eye gaze etc. State wide study is being discussed and may be published.

Reviewed Questions;

Eilleen – like idea of reaching out to non-verbal people in state.

PowerPoint – questions viewed – no copy 33 current s/b down to 15 Christine reviewed questions that she and Richelle thought applied. The committee was asked to look for questions that might raise issues/concerns with family or person with disability. Let Richelle know if you like or do not like the questions. State of New York developed questions.

Eilleen – what location so that respondent can answer privately.

Christine face to face to ask questions not survey monkey. Have this in a small setting to interview.

Julie- will need IRB approval before able to do the study.

Direction of questions are where important – as they will be in place for a very long time.

Group look at how questions are asked.... Maybe reword questions – not an open ended.... More exact – choice question not open ended.

Jim – interviewer might be able to ask follow up questions – study might not use the same language as the people that we would be asking.

Lorie – son would need - visual pictures - on computer is you are asking the question. Lorie he right now needs her to interpret the question. How much control over person are they leading the answers.

Julie – maybe record the session for study.

CAC requested to review questions again – Julie will send out drafts on questions for the study.

Amanda Grafe– what about people that live in an immediate care facility – Christine stated that they are not included in the Federal HCBS.

Set next meeting date

Face to Face meeting May 28 in Boise

Adjourned: 11:00